

The Alstead board of selectmen met in open session on May 3, 2016 at 6:30 at the municipal offices. Chairman Chris Rietmann called the meeting to order at 6:34. He announce the meeting would be broadcasted by a citizen.

Chris Rietmann made a motion to accept the amended minutes, Rock Wilson seconded the motion and motion was passed 3-3.

Department head David Crosby was present and reported the projects the highway crew was working on. Some of those were

1. Truck preparation for hauling gravel
2. Homestead Road ditching to help the water flow
3. Grading is currently still being done and will be on going.

The budget was reviewed and discussion about the full time wages being down but the part time wages being high. David stated the part time will level out because those individuals will take time off during the summer. David reported he needs to purchase one more load of salt for the year and all the culverts are purchased for this year. He said fuel costs were down this year for several reasons, the mild weather and the lower costs.

David brought in his vehicle maintenance reports for the selectmen to review and how he and his crew track the necessary maintenance required for each vehicle. Each highway employee has their own truck and keeps track of the maintenance. This helps reduce breakage. The fire trucks follow the same protocol and if needed the highway crew will change the police vehicles oil as well. All of this work is also reported on the employee's time cards and how long the job took to complete. Glenn asked if David could add a line to his maintenance reports for the time spent and how much money was spent. The selectmen agreed this would be helpful.

David reported the trucks that have stainless bodies are holding up but he will need to start considering a new vehicle in the future.

The transfer station is getting better prices on scrap metal. David has contacted several companies about renting mowing equipment. Brad and Randy have started mowing and cleaning up.

Bobbie asked about brush hogging the field at Vilas Pool. The gate at Vilas Pool needs to be dug out in order for it to close. The Fuzzy Brothers have done this in the past. David stated logs and debris will always be an issue. We may need to ask their advice again about the best solution in dealing with this

Kathy Moore reported how the community came together to support the fire fighters in providing food and drinks. Chris spoke with the fire fighters and they do need a supply of water kept in the buildings. All the selectmen were very appreciative and grateful how the community came together.

There was a brief discussion about having a free day at the transfer station. The selectmen are hesitate to set a date until they know how much the past forest fires will cost.

The fire station door RFP was discussed and the selectmen would like to ask Sam Sutcliffe for his opinion on the specifications. Kelly will call him.

Class VI road signs are on hold until the selectmen know what the past forest fires will do to that budget.

Julianne Stevens concerned with the 4- wheelers destroying wetlands on Cook Hill, Murphy hill, and Anderson Rd. the oil from these recreational vehicles are causing damage to the wetlands.

Chris has created a Facebook page to make announcements only.

Chris Rietmann made a motion to adjourn, Rock seconded motion passes meeting adjourned at 8:10.  
Chris made a motion to go into nonpublic RSA 91:3 A (b) and (c). Rock seconded. Motion passed 3-3.

Respectfully submitted  
Kelly N Wright